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Our Case No.: 5404/101

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Hideo Kawachi	)	
International Serial No.: PCT/JP2003/014170	)	Examiner: Webb, Walter E
U.S. Serial No.: 10/532,682	)	Art Unit: 1612
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Title: METHOD OF SEPARATING	)	
ERGOSTEROL	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 3, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: